SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1070 By Herron

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Rebekah Suzanne Atnip, 2006 Valedictorian of Greenfield High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Rebekah Suzanne "Becky" Atnip is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2006 graduating class at Greenfield High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Ms. Atnip has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Becky Atnip has earned an exemplary grade point average; and

WHEREAS, in addition to her status as a stellar scholar, this exceptional young woman has earned numerous accolades, including being selected for Youth Leadership Weakley

County and the DAR Good Citizenship Award and Scholarship Award, placing exceptionally well on the National Spanish Exam, and being included in *Who's Who Among American High School Students*; and

WHEREAS, an esteemed leader among her peers, she has served as Secretary of the Student Council and as Greenfield's representative to Volunteer Girls State; and

WHEREAS, a gifted athlete, Becky is also a valuable member of the varsity basketball team who has scored over 1,200 points in her illustrious career, being named Greenfield's Most Valuable Player and earning All-District, All-Region, and All-West Tennessee laurels; and

WHEREAS, Becky Atnip has evidenced a strong commitment to public service and good citizenship at an early age, and she volunteers her time and considerable talents to worthy causes; and

WHEREAS, she expresses her devout Christian faith through her participation with the Greenfield and Kimery Churches of Christ; and

WHEREAS, Becky's high morals and devout faith are especially worthy of recognition and emulation; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Atnip's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her success as a student at Rhodes College this fall and throughout her life; and

WHEREAS, her noteworthy achievements are a tremendous source of pride for her mother and father, Kathy and the Honorable Joe Atnip, her grandparents, Dr. Robert and Nancy Atnip, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Becky Atnip's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and commend Rebekah Suzanne Atnip, 2006 Greenfield High School Valedictorian, on her impressive academic achievement and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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